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Town of Barrington Public Hearings Notice

Community Development Block Grant Project

(In minutes please note the informational document was on the website prior to the public hearings)

The Barrington Select Board will hold two consecutive public hearings on January 18th, 2021, at 6:30pm., during their virtual board meetings. Information about these public hearings is available on the Town's website at www.barrington.nh.gov.

Due to the Covid-19 Coronavirus Pandemic and in accordance with Governor Sununu's Emergency Order #12, pursuant to Executive Order 2020-04, the Town of Barrington is authorized to meet electronically. The Town of Barrington will be utilizing Microsoft Teams:

Remote Meeting Participation

- Teams Video Conference: bit.ly/BarrSB
- Call: [+1 603-664-0240](tel:+16036640240) (one-click link)
 - Conference ID: 676 749 973#

Community Development Block Grant funds are available to municipalities through the NH Community Development Finance Authority. Up to \$500,000 annually is available for economic development projects, up to \$500,000 for public facility projects, up to \$500,000 for housing projects, and up to \$500,000 for emergency activities. Up to \$25,000 is available per planning study grant. All projects must directly benefit a majority of low and moderate income persons. The public hearings will be on:

Selectmen Open Public Hearing on Barrington Oaks Cooperative Infrastructure Improvements

This is a proposed application to the Community Development Finance Authority for up to \$500,000 in 2020/2021 Community Development Block Grant Public Facilities Grant. The funds will, in part, finance replacement of sewage disposals systems, including tanks, leach fields and sewage conveyance pipes at Barrington Oak Cooperative, a 49 unit manufactured housing park located on Hall Road in Barrington. The majority of the residents at the Park are of low and moderate income.

This project addresses a goal in Barrington's Housing and Community Development Plan of: Encourage municipal and private water and wastewater systems that are safe, sanitary and meet DES regulations. (Short and Long Term Goal)

ASK FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Selectmen Close Public Hearing

Selectmen Open Public Hearing on Residential Antidisplacement and Relocation Assistance Plan

This plan outlines measures, under the Uniform Relocation Act, required for CDBG projects that involve any displacement or relocation of persons (or businesses), if the Town were to

undertake a CDBG project which involved displacement or relocation they would follow this plan. The plan outlines the measures they would take to find comparable, suitable housing for persons (or businesses) displaced or relocated. This project does not anticipate displacement or relocation.

ASK FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Selectmen Close Public Hearing

VOTING

Selectboard votes to approve the submittal of the Barrington Oaks Cooperative Infrastructure Improvements CDBG Application **and** vote to authorize the Town Administrator to sign and submit the application, and upon approval of the CDBG application, authorize the Town Administrator to execute any documents which may be necessary to effectuate the CDBG contract and any amendments thereto.

Selectboard votes to adopt the Antidisplacement and Relocation Assistance Plan for the proposed Barrington Oaks Cooperative Infrastructure Improvements Project.

DISPLACEMENT AND RELOCATION CERTIFICATION

Town of Barrington

Barrington Oaks Cooperative Infrastructure Improvements Project

RESIDENTIAL ANTIDISPLACEMENT AND RELOCATION ASSISTANCE PLAN

Every effort will be made to avoid temporary or permanent displacement of an individual due to a CDBG project undertaken by the Town of Barrington.

If relocation is required the Town of Barrington will comply with the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended, to any household, regardless of income which is involuntarily and permanently displaced.

If the property is acquired, but will not be used for low/moderate income housing under 104(d) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, the displacement and relocation plan shall provide:

- a. Comparable replacement housing in the community within three (3) years of the commencement date of the demolition or rehabilitation;
- b. A description of the proposed activity;
- c. The general location on a map and appropriate number of dwelling units by number of bedrooms that will be demolished or converted to a use other than as low and moderate income dwelling units as a direct result of the assisted activity;
- d. A time schedule for the commencement and completion date of the demolition or conversion;
- e. The general location on a map and appropriate number of dwelling units by number of bedrooms that will be provided as replacement dwelling units;
- f. The source of funding and a time schedule for the provision of replacement dwelling units;
- g. The basis for concluding that each replacement dwelling unit will remain a low and moderate income dwelling unit for at least ten (10) years from the date of initial occupancy;
- h. Relocation benefits, including reimbursement for moving expenses, security deposits, credit checks, temporary housing, and other related expenses and either:
 - 1. Sufficient compensation to ensure that, at least for five (5) years after being relocated, any displaced low/moderate income household shall not bear a ratio of shelter costs to income that exceeds thirty (30) percent, or:

2. A lump-sum payment equal to the capitalized value of the compensation available under subparagraph 1. above or a Section 8 certificate of voucher for rental assistance provided through New Hampshire Housing Finance Authority.

- i. The right to elect, as an alternative to the benefits in subparagraph 2. above, to received benefits under the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970; and
- j. The right of appeal to the director of CDFA where a claim for assistance under subparagraph 2. above, is denied by the grantee. The director's decision shall be final unless a court determines the decision was arbitrary and capricious.
- k. Subparagraph (2) a. through g. above shall not apply where the HUD Field Office objectively finds that there is an adequate supply of decent, affordable low/moderate income housing in the area.

CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE

The Town of Barrington does not anticipate relocation activities will be necessitated by this project. The Town of Barrington certifies that it will comply with the Uniform Relocation Act and Section 104 (d) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended.

NAME: Conner MacIver

TITLE: Town Administrator

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: January 18, 2021

MUNICIPAL CERTIFICATION

Barrington Oaks Cooperative Infrastructure Improvements Project

To the best of my knowledge, the data in this application is true and correct, and this application submittal has been authorized by the TOWN OF BARRINGTON, New Hampshire. The TOWN OF BARRINGTON will comply with all federal and state laws, rules, regulations and requirements, including those in PART Cdfa 300 - CDBG Administrative Rules.

Furthermore, I certify that:

The municipality affirmatively furthers fair and affordable housing; and
Where applicable, the proposed project is consistent with the municipal master plan, the Housing and Community Development Plan (HCDP), the Residential Antidisplacement & Relocation Assistance (RARA) Plan and that all planning and zoning requirements have been met; and
Where applicable, the municipality shall provide adequate funds to operate and maintain the public facility or improvement after the completion of the project.

Conner MacIver
Name of Designated CEO:

Town Administrator
Title:

Signature

January 18, 2021
Date

NOTARY SECTION

State of New Hampshire
County of Strafford

On this 18th day of January, 2021 before me , the undersigned officer, personally appeared Conner MacIver, who acknowledged him/herself to be the Barrington Town Administrator, and that he/she, as such, being authorized so to do, executed the foregoing certification for the purposes therein contained.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I hereunto set my hand and official seal.

Seal My Commission expires:
 Notary Public/Justice of the Peace

FORM 3-A
Environmental Review for Activity/Project that is Exempt
Pursuant to 24 CFR Part 58.34(a)

Project Name: Barrington Oaks Cooperative Infrastructure Improvements Project
Responsible Entity (Municipality): Barrington
Sub-Recipient (if different than Responsible Entity): Barrington Oaks Cooperative
Preparer: Donna Lane
Certifying Officer Name and Title: Tracy Hardekopf, Chairman, Board of Selectmen
Project Address: Hall Road in Barrington, NH
Total CDBG Grant Amount: up to \$500,000
Exempt CDBG Activity Estimated Amount: Up to \$25,000
Description of the Proposed Project: Improvements include, but not limited to, replacement of sewage disposals systems, including tanks, leach fields and sewage conveyance pipes

Level of Environmental Review Determination

☒ **Activity/Project is Exempt per 24 CFR 58.34(a)**

As Chief Certifying Official of the Applicant, I hereby certify that the activities from the above mentioned project have been reviewed and determined to be Exempt activity(ies) per 24 CFR 58.34 as follows (check those that apply):

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	58.34(a) (1). Environmental & other studies, resource identification & the development of plans & strategies;
<input type="checkbox"/>	58.34(a) (2) Information and financial services;
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	58.34(a) (3) Administrative and management activities;
<input type="checkbox"/>	58.34(a) (4) Public services that will not have a physical impact or result in any physical changes, including but not limited to services concerned with employment, crime prevention, child care, health, drug abuse, education, counseling, energy conservation and welfare or recreational needs;
<input type="checkbox"/>	58.34(a) (5) Inspections and testing of properties for hazards or defects;
<input type="checkbox"/>	58.34(a) (6) Purchase of insurance;
<input type="checkbox"/>	58.34(a) (7) Purchase of tools;
<input type="checkbox"/>	58.34(a) (8) Engineering or design costs;
<input type="checkbox"/>	58.34(a) (9) Technical assistance and training;
<input type="checkbox"/>	58.34(a) (10) Assistance for temporary or permanent improvements that do not alter environmental conditions and are limited to protection, repair, or restoration activities necessary only to control or arrest the effects from disasters or imminent threats to public safety including those resulting from physical deterioration;

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	58.34(a) (1). Environmental & other studies, resource identification & the development of plans & strategies;
<input type="checkbox"/>	58.34(a) (11) Payment of principal and interest on loans made or obligations guaranteed by HUD;
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other:

CDBG Environmental Review Compliance Checklist for 24 CFR §58.6

1. §58.6(a) and (b) Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973, as amended; National Flood Insurance Reform Act of 1994

HUD State-administered assistance through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program is considered a "formula grant made to States." By law, the restriction on financial assistance for acquisition and construction purposes in special flood hazard areas is not applicable to "formula grants made to States." 24 CFR 58.6(a)(3). Compliance with this section is not applicable for CDBG-financed projects.

2. §58.6(c) Coastal Barrier Improvement Act, as amended by the Coastal Barriers Improvement Act of 1990 (16 U.S.C. 3501) Not Applicable *Please Move on to the next section CDFA 11/13/14.*

Per FEMA's and the US Fish & Wildlife Service's web sites; New Hampshire does not have designated Coastal Barrier Resource System areas/communities. (Per Federal Consistency Coordinator, New Hampshire Costal Program DES 11/13/2014).

3. §58.6(d) Runway Clear Zones and Clear Zones [24 CFR §51.303(a) (3)]

- a. Is your project located near Concord, Manchester or Portsmouth Airports?
Yes ☐ No ☒
If No, compliance with this section is complete.
If Yes, continue below.
- b. Does the project involve the sale or purchase of existing property?
Yes ☐ No ☐
If No, compliance with this section is complete.
If Yes, continue below.
- c. Is the project located within 2,500 feet of the end of a civil airport runway (Civil Airport's Runway Clear Zone) or within 15,000 feet of the end of a military runway (Military Airfield's Clear Zone)?
Yes ☐ No ☐
If No, compliance with this section is complete.
If Yes, Notice must be provided to buyer. The notice must advise the buyer that the property is in a Runway Clear Zone or Clear Zone, what the implications of such a

location are, and that there is a possibility that the property may, at a later date, be acquired by the airport operator. The buyer must sign a statement acknowledging receipt of this information, and a copy of the signed notice must be maintained in this ERR.

To determine if your project falls in the Clear zone please use the following link.

Radius Tool: <http://www.freemaptools.com/radius-around-point.htm> input your address on top, go below the map and fill in the feet space, click on map and the radius will be shown. If you have questions please call CDFA.

Cite and attach source document (Map indicating project site in proximity to end of runway):

For more information see:

Airport Information: <https://www.hudexchange.info/environmental-review/airport-hazards/>
<http://www.airnav.com/airports/>

HUD Airport Hazards Guidance: <https://www.onecpd.info/environmental-review/airport-hazards/>

Notice to Prospective Buyers: <https://www.onecpd.info/resource/2758/notice-prospective-buyers-properties-in-runway-clear-zones/>

With reference to the above Program activity(ies)/Project, I, the undersigned officer of the grantee, accept responsibility under the National Environmental Policy Act for environmental reviews, decisions and actions. By my signature below, I certify that I am authorized to, and do personally accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Court for enforcement of the aforesaid responsibilities. In addition, we request that the environmental conditions attendant to the above referenced grant activities be released so that, upon Governor and Council approval (where applicable), funds may be drawn down for Exempt (\$58.34). I understand that any activities not listed above are subject to all rules applicable to 24CFR58 and that funds may be not be obligated without a notice of removal of environmental conditions from CDFA

Responsible Entity Agency Official Signature:


Name/Title/Organization: Town of Barrington

Authorized Certifying Officer Signature _____ Date: 1-18-21

Name/Title: Tracy Hardekopf, Chairman, Board of Selectmen

Preparer Name: Donna Lane

Date: 1-5-20

Preparer Signature: 

Any costs incurred prior to contract approval by the Governor and Executive Council (if applicable) of the State of New Hampshire will be at the risk of the applicant. You may not incur any cost except for those authorized by CDFA prior to release of funds notification. All applicable State and Federal regulations including but not limited to procurement and debarment apply to the activities stated above.

